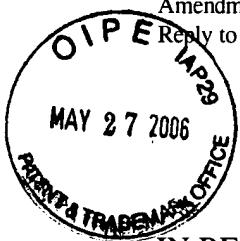


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IN RE:

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TO: Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 28, 2005

Applicants hereby respond to the office action dated November 28, 2005. This Response is being timely filed along with a petition for extension of time and the required fee. In order that the Examiner has adequate opportunity to consider the amendments and arguments presented in this Response, Applicants have filed a Notice of Appeal along with the required fee to preserve

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the pendency of this application.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.